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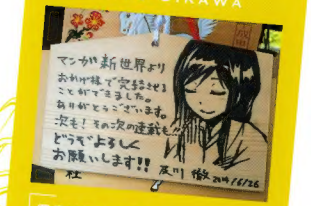

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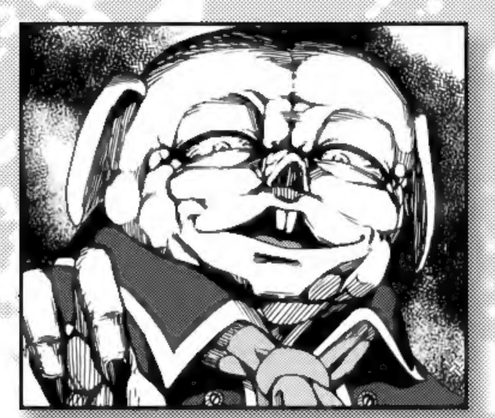

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「塩屋虻コロニー」の奏上役から代表となった知恵者。人類に反逆、殲滅戦を仕掛ける。

新見翔

「全人学級」の1年生。最愛の遙香を救おうと奮闘したが、その最期を看取ることに。

奇狼丸

「大雀蜂コロニー」の主席司令官だったが、塩屋虻軍との戦いで大雀蜂軍は全滅。

朝比奈覚

早季の幼なじみで、『和貴園』『全人学級』での同級生。呪力、学業とも優秀な成績を修め、妙法農場に就職。品種改良と遺伝子研究にいそしむ。

渡辺早季

並外れた心の強さに加え、DNA修復能力を持ち、次期指導者として期待される26歳。
町立保健所の異類管理課で、バケネズミの実態調査と管理を担当。

坂井遙香

翔の幼なじみ。業魔化するも、命を賭して翔達をバケネズミから守り、戦死した。

悪鬼

バケネズミが救世主と呼ぶ、呪力を持つ人間。その正体は、真理亜と守の遺児。

伊東守

画才に優れた物静かな少年。愛する真理亜を守り、町外に逃亡。

秋月真理亜

早季の親友で強気な美少女。処分対象となったため町を離れる。

青沼瞬

早季と相思相愛だった俊才。業魔化したため自ら世を去った。

天野麗子

呪力の制御ができなかったため、不浄猫により処分された。

前巻まで

早季達は東京に上陸した。だが、不寝番の乾が殺され、奇狼丸への不信の念が高まる。そんな中、追っ手の中に"悪鬼"の存在を認めた早季は、危険生物の棲息する地下を進む決断を下す。しかし、新たにバケネズミの大船団が出現。早季達は、サイコ・バスター捜索を続ける地下班と、増援の上陸を阻止する地上班との二手に分かれた。生きた人間を盾に使う敵の大軍に手を焼く地上班。その窮地を救ったのは業魔化した遙香だった。命と引き換えに遙香が翔を守った頃、早季はサイコ・バスターを発見。未来を創るため、スクィーラとの最終決戦に臨む!

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HOW THEN, AGAINST ALL ODDS, DID *SQUEALER* GET AHOLD OF HIM...?

BUT...I READ ABOUT THIS IN BOOKS. THE DESCRIPTIONS OF FIENDS DON'T QUITE MATCH UP. BESIDES...

SAKI...WHAT DO YOU MEAN? DOESN'T THAT JUST DEPEND ON THE INDIVIDUAL?

DON'T YOU THINK PURE COINCIDENCE WOULD BE A BIT OF AN UNNATURAL EXPLANATION?

Chapter 24 A Scheme

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RAIN... THIS DOES NOT BODE WELL.

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I THINK... IT'S POSSIBLE THAT HE'S NOT ACTUALY A FIEND.

HEY... WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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JUST DROP IT.

HUH?

WHATEVER THAT THING IS, WE STILL HAVE TO KILL IT...

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WITH THIS PSYCHO-BUSTER.

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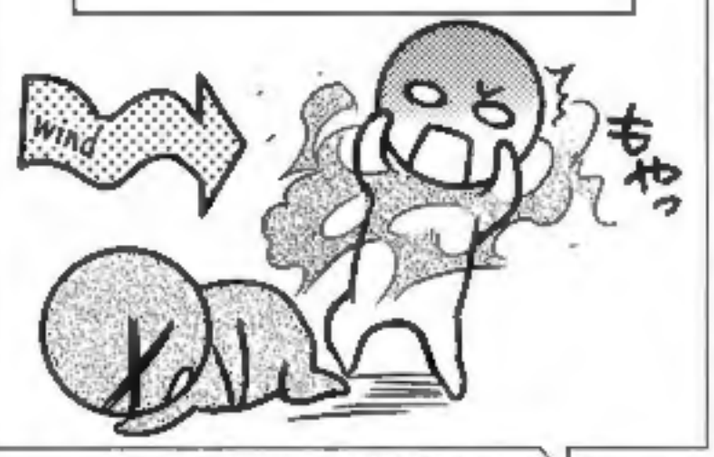
THIS HIGHLY TOXIC ANTHRAX IS COMMONLY KNOWN AS "PSYCHO-BUSTER."

THIS PRESENTS A DANGER TO THE USER AS WELL, SO YOU MUST BE FULLY AWARE OF YOUR DISTANCE AND THE DIRECTION OF THE WIND BEFORE USING IT.

WHEN THE VIAL BURSTS AFTER BEING THROWN AT A TARGET'S FEET, THE HIGHLY TOXIC ANTHRAX CONTAINED INSIDE WILL BEGIN TO PERMEATE THE AIR.

THIS WEAPON MAY CAUSE DEATH AFTER INHALING EVEN A MINUTE AMOUNT OF IT. NOTE THAT THE LETHAL DOSE VARIES BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS.



WE WILL CARRY OUT OUR PLAN ALONG THIS PATH.

IF WE MAINTAIN THE FIEND DOWNWIND FROM OUR POSITION, THEN WE CAN SAFELY USE THE PSYCHO-BUSTER...!

THE BEST ASPECT IS THAT THE WIND ALWAYS BLOWS IN ONE DIRECTION THROUGH IT.

Attack here

Wind

HOWEVER... THIS PAINS ME TO SAY, BUT...

Start

THIS TUNNEL CONTINUES STRAIGHT FOR ABOUT 1.5 KM. ALL ROADS BRANCHING FROM IT ARE DEAD ENDS.

ITS MANY TWISTS AND TURNS PROVIDE EXCELLENT CONDITIONS FOR LEADING THE FIEND TO THE DESTINATION WHILE STILL AVOIDING ITS LINE OF SIGHT.

HH!!

HH!!

THIS WAS ORIGINALLY MY JOB, BUT THE RAIN HAS RULED OUT LEADING BY SCENT. IN ORDER TO ENTICE THE FIEND TO GIVE CHASE, WE MUST PROVIDE A MORE ATTRACTIVE BAIT...!

IF YOU APPEAR IN FRONT OF THE FIEND FOR A MERE MOMENT, IT WILL PURSUE WITH FERVOR!!

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I WISH TO PLACE THE ROLE OF RUNNING IN SIGHT OF THE FIEND ON YOU GODS.

YES.

AND THAT'S... THE BEST WE CAN MANAGE, KIROMARU?

YES...BUT THAT IS THE ONLY WAY TO GUARANTEE OUR CHANCE OF SUCCESS...

NO WAY! THAT'S SUICIDE! EVEN IF WE KEPT OUT OF SIGHT, IT COULD KILL US AT THE SLIGHTEST MISSTEP!

IN ADDITION, THEY INTEND TO HUNT US DOWN... *HEH HEH HEH...*

WE HAVE A GOLDEN OPPORTU-NITY NOW, AS THE FIEND IS ISOLATED WITH FEW BODY-GUARDS.

OKAY, LET'S DO IT!

WILL NOT NOTICE THEMSELVES BECOMING THE HUNTED.

ONE WHO IS FULLY ABSORBED INTO THE HUNT...

WE CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE NOW...!

EVERYTHING WILL BE DECIDED WITHIN THE HOUR.

COME OVER HERE.

HERE'S WHERE WE'LL USE THE PSYCHO-BUSTER.

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HHAAAAAAA

THE ANTHRAX SHOULDN'T GET TO US IF WE STAY HERE.

I'LL TOSS THE PSYCHO-BUSTER FROM THE SHADOW OF THIS ROCK WHEN THE FIEND IS ROUNDING THE BEND.

LET'S CHECK THE PATH ONE MORE TIME.

IF YOU STUMBLE AND FALL, YOU'RE DONE FOR.

GOES BACK TO WHEN HE WAS CALLED BY SQUEALER'S COLONY...

THE REASON KIROMARU WANTS TO ALLY WITH US HUMANS TO SAVE HIS QUEEN...

HEY...DID SOMETHING HAPPEN WITH KIROMARU? YOU'RE ACTING DIFFERENTLY TOWARDS HIM.

WE HAD A LOT OF TIME TO CHAT.

IT SEEMS THAT KIROMARU WAS EXPECTING TO BE ASKED TO FORM SOME SORT OF ALLIANCE.

AFTER THE ROBBER FLY COLONY WAS NEARLY DESTROYED BY THE FOREIGN SPECIES, THEY UNDERWENT TREMENDOUS GROWTH, MERGING AND EXPANDING THEIR INFLUENCE

WE NOW SPEND MOST OF OUR LIVES ABOVE GROUND...

THAT'S THE CONFERENCE HALL, THE CENTER OF GOVERNMENT. THE FAR BUILDING IS THE FACTORY.

...AND SO, WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE TODAY...

HOW DID THEY MANAGE TO CARRY OUT ALL THESE MERGERS WITHOUT ANY BATTLES?

STILL...A COLONY HAS ONLY ONE QUEEN. IF THEY WERE ABSORBED, THEY WOULD KILL THEIR OWN QUEEN, BUT...

THIS DEVELOPMENT MUST BE DUE TO THEM GAINING THE FALSE MINOSHIRO. DID THEY WEAPONIZE THE TECHNOLOGY CONTAINED TO ABSORB OTHER, WEAKER COLONIES?

OH, NO! THAT IS A MOST ABSURD MISUNDER-STANDING!

IN SHOWING ME THE FACTORIES, ARE YOU SAYING THAT MY REFUSAL WOULD MEAN WAR?

I KNEW IT...!

IS THAT THE GIANT HORNET COLONY WOULD JOIN OUR RANKS.

ARE THOSE HUMANS WHO CALL THEMSELVES GODS.

THE ONES WE MEAN TO GO TO WAR WITH

...

I HAVE IN-VESTIGATED METHODS FOR US TO RISE UP AGAINST THE HUMANS...

WITH THE NUMBER ONE COLONY IN THE KANTO REGION ON MY SIDE, MY PLAN IS UNSINKABLE. I HAVE HEARD RUMORS...

I COULD NOT LET YOU LEAVE WITHOUT INTRODUCING YOU TO OUR QUEENS.

OH, DON'T GO.

HAVE THEY GROWN IMPUDENT FROM THE KNOWLDGE THEY HAVE GAINED? FOOLS...

WHAT IS THIS? I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO INTENTION TO DEFY THE GODS! IF YOU SUMMONED ME HERE TO TELL JOKES, THEN I SHALL TAKE MY LEAVE NOW.

THEY HAVE MORE THAN ONE QUEEN? IMPOSSIBLE.

THE QUEEN IS THE MOTHER OF ALL LIVING BEINGS IN THE COLONY. THEREFORE...

EVEN IF IT MEANS KILLING THEM OFF, ONLY A SINGLE QUEEN MUST BE PRESERVED.

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HERE WE ARE.

THIS SHOULD BE INSTINCT TO US DUE TO OUR LINEAGE FROM THE EUSOCIAL RAT.

THIS IS WHERE THE QUEEN IS...?!

ALL OF THESE LIKE-MINDED COLONIES HAVE JOINED US ONE AFTER ANOTHER. HAVE YOU NOT CONSIDERED THE FOLLOWING?

OUR QUEENS' NEW POSITION ALSO REFLECTS THE PROGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR POLITICAL SYSTEM.

IT'S LIKE A BARN FOR LIVESTOCK...!

THE QUEEN IS VIOLENT AND THE LIFE OF A MERE SOLDIER MEANS NOTHING!

WHAT DID YOU SAY...?!

IF A QUEEN IS NOT FIT TO LEAD...

WE HAVE TAKEN THESE BACK INTO OUR OWN HANDS!!

SO WE IMPLE-MENTED A PARLIA-MENTARY DEMO-CRACY!

OUR GOVERN-MENT!

OUR LIVES!

BLASPHEMY!! HOW DARE YOU MAKE SUCH UTTERANCES IN THE QUEEN'S PRESENCE!!

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IT IS AN IMPORTANT TASK, SUCH THAT THE EFFICIENCY OF OUR COLONY'S EXPANSION MAY SURPASS EVEN YOURS.
OF COURSE, THE QUEENS CONTINUE TO PRODUCE CHILDREN AS USUAL.
YOU MONGREL... WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO THEM...?!

WE CAN MAKE THEM ADOPT A MILDER DEMEANOR.

BRAIN SURGERY.

BY OPENING THEIR SKULLS AND OPERATING ON A PORTION OF THEIR BRAINS,

I AM DOING THIS FOR MY PEOPLE!

YOU WILL UNDERSTAND ONCE YOU'VE LEARNED THE HUMANS' HISTORY FROM THE FALSE MINOSHIRO...!

HOW DATED... THAT'S ALL A THING OF THE PAST...!! YOU'RE JUST AN OLD SOLDIER WHO WOULD NOT STAND UP FOR THE LIVES OF HIS BRETHREN!

WE ARE NOT THE SAME AS HUMANS! YOU ARE DESTROYING THE DIGNITY OF OUR KIND!!

KOFF KOFF

THE GIANT HORNET COLONY WILL NEVER ALLOW ITSELF TO JOIN YOUR RANKS!

THIS IS A NEW WORLD FOR OUR SPECIES...!!

HOW COULD THEY *DO* THAT TO THEIR QUEENS?

FOR I HAVE...THE MESSIAH....!

I WILL MAKE HIM REGRET NOT SEEING THE LIGHT OF MY PATH...

THAT CAN'T BE THE WHOLE STORY.

THEY DISABLED THEIR QUEEN, THE MOTHER OF EVERYONE IN THE COLONY. THERE IS NO JUSTICE IN SQUEALER'S ACTIONS.

BUT...DOES THAT MEAN SQUEALER REORGANIZED HIS COLONY TO SAVE HIS PEOPLE FROM DEATH...?

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THAT VOICE....!

LET'S CHECK THE PATH ONE LAST TIME. WE REALLY CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE...

YES...

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THAT'S OUR CUE! LET'S HURRY TO THE STARTING POINT!

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IT'S KIROMARU'S SIGNAL!!

I REALLY DON'T THINK HE'S A FIEND!

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THIS WILL ALL BE OVER IN A FEW MINUTES...!

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I'VE COME UP WITH A PLAN...IF IT GOES WELL, THEN MAYBE...

NO, LISTEN! THAT CHILD MAY NOT EVEN KNOW WHAT HE IS HIMSELF!

WHAT?!

WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THAT KIND OF TALK RIGHT NOW!

GOO-SPEED ...!

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WE'LL [illegible] AVOID ITS ATTACK AND HIDE AROUND THE CORNER. THAT WILL BE THE HARDEST PART.

I KNOW...

WITH YOU RUNNING IN FRONT, WE'LL LET THE FIEND KNOW WE'RE HERE.

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IT'S COMING...IT'S COMING...!

IT'S COMING...!

WE WON'T

MAKE I...

HAAH

HAAH

IF WE CAN JUST GET PAST THE FIRST ONE...

ALRIGHT! WE'RE UP AGAINST A CHILD

IT SHOULDN'T CATCH UP TO US!!

HAH

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HAH

YEAH... THIS SHOULD BE GOOD..

I'VE GOT A GOOD FEELING ABOUT THIS...! KEEP GOING...!

HUH?

SLOW DOWN A BIT, SAKI! LOOKS LIKE IT'S FOLLOWING SLOWLY! WE DON'T WANT TO GET TOO FAR AWAY!

HAAH... HAAH...

DON'T STOP!!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

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HAH...

SAKI!! THE FIEND IS COMING!!

I DON'T HEAR ANY FOOT-STEPS...

NO... BUT...

WHAT'S... GOING ON? IS IT TRYING TO WALK SILENTLY...?

WE'RE THE ONES BEING HUNTED...!

IT'S A TRAP...!

WE JUST HAVE TO KEEP GOING! RIGHT?!

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! ...EVEN IF IT WERE TRUE,

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WHAT?! SHIT...!!

WATCH OUT!!

GO BACK?!

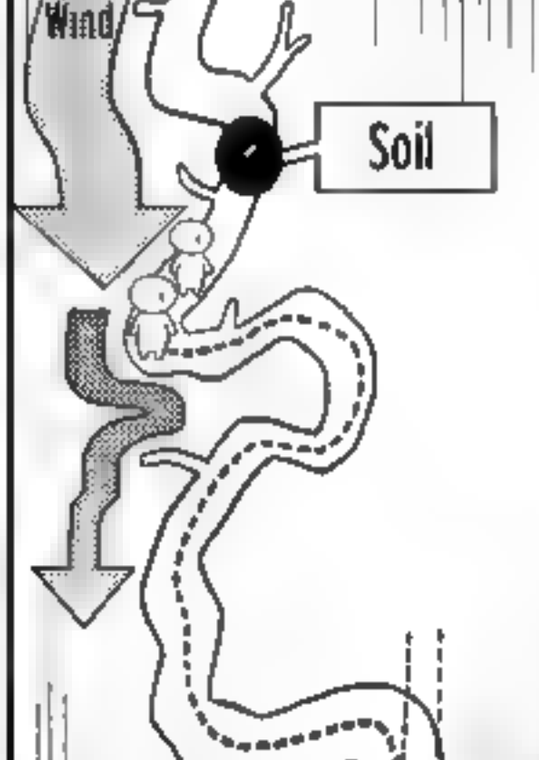
NO! I DON'T SMELL ANY GUNPOWDER!! WE NEED TO GO BACK!!

THIS IS THE TRAP?! THAT WAS CLOSE!!

THE FIEND MIGHT COME RUNNING THROUGH...

NHA...THAT'S WHERE THE FIEND IS!! MORE IMPORTANTLY, THAT HOLE LEADS RIGHT OUTSIDE!!

THAT'S ALSO A TRAP!! THE FIEND ISN'T CHASING US AT ALL!!



GO BACK THE WAY WE CAME!!

WHO DO YOU THINK COULD'VE OPENED UP THAT HOLE

WITHOUT USING EXPLOSIVES?!

THEY COULDN'T EVEN SEE THROUGH SUCH A SIMPLE PLOT...

I GUESS OLD SOLDIERS ARE MEANT TO DIE AFTER ALL.

HAH HAH

NO GOOD...

HURRY! GO BACK THE WAY WE CAME!!

I DON'T WANT TO REGRET NOT USING IT!

HUH?! BUT...

SAKI... TELL ME ABOUT THAT PLAN YOU HAD EARLIER!

I KNOW...

I KNOW THAT THIS IS THE FUTURE IN WHICH WE LOSE IT ALL.

BUT IF...JUST IF...

THERE WAS STILL SOME SLIVER OF A CHANCE LEFT...

THAT'S FINE! JUST TELL ME!!

IF IT SUCCEEDS, WE MAY BE ABLE TO GET AWAY WITH NOT KILLING HIM!

BUT TO BE HONEST...I DON'T KNOW IF IT WILL...

BUT...

WE CAN'T USE THE PSYCHO-BUSTER!!

IT'D KILL US SINCE WE'RE DOWNWIND...

OF COURSE WE WILL!!

SAKI, WE'RE GONNA MAKE IT OUT OF THIS ALIVE, RIGHT?

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KYAK!!